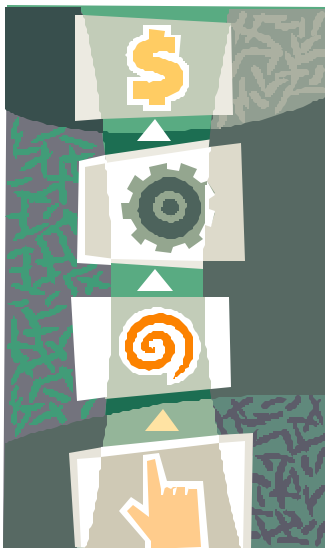


Resources for Vibrant Communities

*Economic
Development*



Transportation



Open Space



Housing



**Sources of
Financial And
Technical Assistance**

A.C. RATSHESHKY FOUNDATION

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

A.C. Ratsheshky Foundation
617-426-7172
c/o GMA, 77 Summer St, 8th Floor, Boston, MA 02110
www.agmconnect.org/ratshes4.html

Provides grant assistance in areas including the arts and culture. Grants are generally limited to Boston and contiguous communities.

ACQUISITION LOAN PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation
617-727-5944
18 Tremont St, Suite 1020, Boston, MA 02108

Non-profit developers are eligible for short term acquisition loans to cover the costs of acquiring and holding properties. Loans are up to 90% of appraised value of the property.

AGRO ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY GRANT

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Food & Agriculture (DFA)
508-792-7711
142 Old Common Rd, Lancaster, MA 01523
www.massdfa.org/agroenv.htm

Addresses agriculturally related environmental concerns and agricultural development needs and opportunities. Projects must have practical commercial application involving new or alternative technologies, practices, or organizational arrangements which will stimulate expanded agricultural development, economic activity and employment growth.

AMERICAN AND NEW ENGLAND STUDIES

Resource Type: *TA*

Boston University
617-353-2948
226 Bay State Rd, Boston, MA 02215
www.bu.edu

Graduate Preservation Studies program conducts studios and other special projects, including development of historic preservation plans, adaptive reuse studies, feasibility studies, etc.

ASSOCIATED GRANT MAKERS

Resource Type: *TA*

Associated Grant Makers
617-426-2606
294 Washington Street, Suite 840, Boston, MA 02108
www.agmconnect.org

On a membership basis, provides TA on writing grant applications, effective governance, and finding grant sources to community non-profits. Non-members can use the library of grants located in downtown Boston.

Economic Development

AT&T FOUNDATION

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

AT&T

212-387-4868

32 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 2400, New York, NY 10013

www.att.com/foundation/

Provides grant assistance for projects including areas of art and culture and civic and community service. Priority is given to communities and regions with large concentrations of AT&T employees.

BOARD DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING

Resource Type: *TA*

National Center for Nonprofit Boards

800-883-6262

1828 L Street NW, Suite 900, Washington, DC 20036-5104

www.ncnb.org/

NCNB offers technical assistance and training services in nonprofit board development, utilizing a national network of experts to help design and conduct programs covering a range of topics, including: board member responsibilities, developing a strong board, motivating a board in fund raising, building a strong board / staff partnership, managing conflicts of interest, and others.

BROWNFIELDS ECONOMIC REDEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

617-573-9681

One Congress St, Boston, MA 02114

www.epa.gov/swerosps/bf/html-doc/region01.htm

Provides \$200,000 over 2 years for a project involving site assessment, site identification, or remediation planning for brownfields. Activities can include administration, outreach to stakeholders, and field work.

BROWNFIELDS REDEVELOPMENT ACCESS TO CAPITAL

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Business Development Corporation

617-350-8877

50 Milk St, Boston, MA 02109

www.mass-business.com/site/content/brownfields.asp

A state-subsidized program which will back cleanup loans by themselves or in conjunction with development or redevelopment loans for business purposes on contaminated sites with environmental insurance and loan guarantees. Provides: broad environmental insurance coverage on projects for lender and borrower, including cost-cap, at subsidized rates; pre-negotiated, low cost policies, with a menu of additional coverages; project loan guarantees for the lender; minimal paperwork or delays for the loan officer and borrower.

Economic Development

BUILDING CODE

Resource Type: *TA*

State Board of Building Regulations and Standards

617-727-7532

One Ashburton Place, Rm 1301, Boston, MA 02108

www.state.ma.us/bbrs/

Provides training for the state building code and the energy code. Also helps locate licensed contractors.

BUSINESS & INDUSTRY GUARANTEED LOANS

Resource Type: *TA*

USDA Rural Development

413-253-4318

451 West St, Amherst, MA 01002

www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/busp/b&i_dir.htm

Loan guarantees are made to improve, develop, or finance business, industry, and employment and to improve the economic and environmental climate in rural communities including pollution abatement and control. Available only to businesses located in areas outside the boundary of a city of 50,000 or more and its immediately adjacent urbanized area. May be used for real estate purchase or improvement, equipment, or working capital.

BUSINESS & SBA 7a LOANS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Business Development Corporation

617-350-8877

50 Milk St, Boston, MA 02109

www.mass-business.com/site/content/conventional.asp

Provides senior debt or secondary debt to primary bank financing for long-term working capital, machinery & equipment, subordinated debt, mergers & acquisitions, real estate, debt restructuring, growth needs, and treasury stock.

BUSINESS FINANCING

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Office of Business Development (MOBD)

617-727-3206

One Ashburton Place, Room 2101, Boston, MA 02108

www.state.ma.us/mobd/finance_services.htm

Business Finance Specialists at MOBD provide information on local, state, and federal financing sources. Programs include financing for plant and equipment, working capital, and venture capital.

Economic Development

CAPITAL ACCESS PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Business Development Corporation
617-350-8877
50 Milk St, Boston, MA 02109
www.mass-business.com/site/content/capital.asp

Provides banks with a "cash collateral" guarantee. The program encourages banks to make loans to small businesses and is available to Massachusetts companies with annual sales less than \$5 million that have borrowing needs up to \$500,000. Start up companies, retailers, manufacturers, and service businesses are among those eligible.

CHAPTER 79A RELOCATION

Resource Type: *TA*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)
617-727-7001 x 417
One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/dhcd/

Provides assistance and oversight to state and local agencies undertaking projects which result in the displacement of businesses or residents, such as real estate acquisition for a municipal parking lot.

COLLATERAL & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CATA)

Resource Type: *FUNDING/TA*

Community Development Finance Corporation
617-523-6262
100 City Hall Plaza, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02108
www.mcdcf.com/

Provides loans and technical assistance to minority and women-owned firms contracting with MHFA HUD Demonstration/Disposition Program.

COMMONWEALTH ENTERPRISE FUND

Resource Type: *FUNDING/TA*

Community Development Finance Corporation
617-523-6262
100 City Hall Plaza, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02108
www.mcdcf.com/

Provides equity funds, medium-term loans, and management assistance to technology and manufacturing companies. Will consider retail and service companies on a highly selective basis.

Economic Development

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTION GRANTS (CDAG)

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)
617-727-7001 x 456
One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/dhcd/

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Funds economic development projects on publicly owned or managed property including work on buildings or other structures, facades, streets, roadways, thoroughfares, sidewalks, rail spurs, utility distribution systems, water and sewer lines, parks, playgrounds; site preparation and improvements, including demolition of existing structures; relocation assistance; other revitalization of the area in which the project is located. Priority is given to projects which provide substantial employment or other direct benefit for low-income persons, significantly improve the condition of a low-income neighborhood, or provide reinforcement for other housing or community development related investments by the Commonwealth.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND (CDF)

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)
617-727-7001 x 435
One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/dhcd/

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** As part of the Community Development Block Grant program, provides funding for numerous community development and housing related needs. Projects must satisfy a national objective.

COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services
202-401-9354
DHHS/ACF, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, Washington, DC 20447
www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ocs/#PA

Offers flexible funding for community development targeting low income populations, including planning.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF CAPE COD

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Community Foundation of Cape Cod
800-947-2322
PO Box 406, Yarmouthport, MA 02675
www.capecodfoundation.com

Provides grant assistance for projects including areas of arts and the environment. Funded projects have included publications, arts festivals, and environmental studies. Eligible projects must serve the people of Barnstable County.

Economic Development

COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Business Development Corporation
617-350-8877
50 Milk St, Boston, MA 02109
www.mass-business.com/site/content/community.asp

Provides direct funding to minority, women and disadvantaged businesses, non-profits, and other organizations. Loan requests will be considered for up to \$1,000,000 for working capital, acquisition of assets, and restructuring of debt.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PARTNERSHIP

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)
202-708-1537
820 First Street NE, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20002-4205
www.hud.gov/progdesc/copc.html

Funds universities for development of partnerships with towns to provide information and technical aid. Topics include neighborhood revitalization, infrastructure, planning, housing, crime prevention, jobs, and economic development. Refer to universities listed in this database for possible interest.

COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT ACT

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Local Banks
Your local bank
www.state.ma.us/dob/cra.htm

Various funding is available under the Community Reinvestment Act and other federal laws and regulations. Check with your bank to see what they offer; if they do not offer a program, ask to have one created.

COMMUNITY SEPTIC MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
Northeast: 617-932-7742; Central: 508-767-2850; Southeast: 508-946-2836; West: 413-784-1100
Main address: 1 Winter Street, Boston, MA 02108
www.state.ma.us/dep/brp/www/t5pubs.htm

Provides pre-loan financial assistance to develop a Comprehensive Community Septic Management Program including an on-site inspection or management plan and a local betterment program (loan). Contact district representatives. Communities that participated in the \$10 million septic system repair program are not eligible.

COOPERATIVE FUND OF NEW ENGLAND

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Cooperative Fund of New England
800-818-7833
P.O. Box 412, Hartford, CT 06141-0412
www.cooperativefund.org

Provides loans to cooperative or non-profit businesses with priority given to those that promote the common good. Loans can pay for organizational development or projects.

Economic Development

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Crossroads Community Foundation
508-647-2260
20 Main St, Suite 301, Natick, MA 01760
www.ccfndn.org/

Provides grant assistance for projects including areas of: culture, environment, economic development, and capacity building. Funded projects have included assistance to local arts initiatives, historic preservation, environmental studies, non-profit agency strategic plans, and micro-loan programs. Limited to projects within 27 MetroWest communities.

CULTURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Cultural Council
617-727-3668 x 269
120 Boylston St, Boston, MA 02116-4600
www.massculturalcouncil.org/grants/for_organizations/cultural_econdev.

Provides seed funding to partnerships that use culture to create or enhance sustainable jobs, business enterprises, and other income-generating activity. Requires a 1:1 match.

CULTURAL FUNDING: FEDERAL

Resource Type: *TA*

National Endowment for the Arts
www.arts.gov/federal.html

Clearinghouse for federal grant programs with an arts component.

CULTURAL TOURISM SEMINARS

Resource Type: *TA*

MA Office of Travel and Tourism (MOTT)
617-973-8500
10 Park Plaza, Suite 4510, Boston, MA 02116

In conjunction with historic and cultural organizations, offers a series of annual seminars on a variety of marketing topics specifically tailored for cultural institutions such as museums, historic attractions, local performing arts organizations, etc. A nominal fee is charged for seminar registration.

DEMOLITION OF ABANDONED BUILDINGS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)
617-727-7001 x 408
One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/dhcd/

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Limited funding is available for the removal of abandoned buildings which pose severe health and safety risks.

Economic Development

DEPARTMENT OF URBAN STUDIES AND

Resource Type: *TA*

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

617-253-2024

77 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge, MA 02139

dusp.mit.edu/DUSP/main/html/main.lasso

MIT is a source for interns and special field studies in design and development, economic development, and community development.

DEPT. OF LANDSCAPE ARCH. & REGIONAL PLANNING

Resource Type: *TA*

University of Massachusetts at Amherst

413-545-2255

109 Hills North, UMass, Amherst, MA 01003

www.umass.edu/larp/

An outreach program that provides assistance to communities, particularly through graduate studios in areas of landscape architecture, planning, urban design, and economic development. Participating programs include: Landscape Architecture, Regional Planning, the Center for Economic Development, the Center for Rural Massachusetts, and the Urban Places Project.

DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE LOANS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation

617-727-5944

18 Tremont St, Suite 1020, Boston, MA 02108

Funds can be used by non-profit developers to hire architects, engineers, attorneys, and development consultants in order to secure preliminary financing commitments.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Office of Business Development (MOBD)

617-973-8600

10 Park Plaza, Suite 3720, Boston, MA 02116

www.state.ma.us/mobd/edip.html

The purpose of the program is to stimulate job creation, attract new business to designated regions, and encourage business investment across the state through the use of certain incentives. State incentives include an investment tax credit for qualifying tangible, depreciable assets. Municipal incentives include special tax assessments and tax increment financing.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TECHNICAL ADVISORY SERVICE

Resource Type: *TA*

Council for Urban Economic Development
202-223-4735
1730 K St NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20006
www.cued.org/technical/technicalassistance.html

CUED's Technical Advisory Service provides assistance to communities in a wide range of economic development areas, including real estate redevelopment, business attraction and retention, strategic planning, brownfields remediation, and technology transfer. For a fee, CUED staff will assemble a team of experts to perform a site visit and assess a community's problems, needs, and opportunities.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM

Resource Type: *TA*

Division of Energy Resources (DOER)
617-727-4732
70 Franklin St, 7th Floor, Boston, MA 02110-1313
www.state.ma.us/doer/programs/pub_bld/pub_bld.htm#eep

Helps communities reduce energy costs with little or no capital expenditure. Communities can use the TA available for privately financed renovation projects or for design review services of new construction projects.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM

Resource Type: *TA*

Manufacturing Extension Partnership
301-975-5104
NIST/MEP, Bldg 301/C121, Gaithersburg, MD 20899
es.epa.gov/oeca/fedfac/initiati/nistmep4.html

Through a partnership with EPA, helps small manufacturers become environmentally competitive and adopt cleaner manufacturing processes. Includes training and technology and information resource centers.

FARM VIABILITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Food & Agriculture (DFA)
413-529-0873
116 Pleasant St, Office #3105, Easthampton, MA 01027
www.massdfa.org

Pays for the development of farm viability plans in order to improve the economic bottom line and environmental integrity of participating farms. Plans are developed by teams of agricultural, economic and environmental consultants.

FEDERAL HIST. PRESERVATION TAX CREDIT INCENTIVES

Resource Type: *TA*

Heritage Preservation Services, National Park Service

202-343-9583

National Park Service, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240

www2.cr.nps.gov/tps/tax/tax_t.htm

Provides a 20% federal income tax credit for the substantial rehabilitation of income-producing properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. All rehabilitation work must meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. A 10% credit exists for the rehabilitation of non-historic buildings.

FULLER FOUNDATION

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Fuller Foundation

P.K. Erickson, Program Administrator

PO Box 461, Rye Beach NH 03871

www.agmconnect.org/fuller1.html

Provides grant assistance for projects including the arts. Funded projects have included art and performing arts festivals, and the creation of murals and sculpture. Geographic focus is limited to the Boston area.

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF DESIGN

Resource Type: *TA*

Harvard University

Urban Planning & Design 617-495-9571

48 Quincy St, Room 312, Cambridge, MA 02138

www.gsd.harvard.edu/

Offers graduate design studios in urban planning and design.

HERITAGE PROPERTY INVESTORS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

National Trust for Historic Preservation

617-523-0885

7 Faneuil Hall Market Place, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02109

www.nthp.org/main/frontline/departments/financial.htm

Provides developers of historic rehab tax credit projects and historic low-income housing tax credit projects with access to corporate equity investors. Also provides access to construction and permanent lending sources, and provides technical assistance with preservation tax credit applications.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION/COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION

Resource Type: *FUNDING/TA*

Historic Massachusetts
617-723-3383
45 School St, Boston, MA 02108
www.historicmass.org

Provides technical assistance through its educational and technical assistance programs, "Action Teams," which can assess specific preservation development problems or issues, and community forums on various topics related to historic preservation. Also has a small loan program that offers gap financing for preservation related real estate development projects. Loan assistance focuses on regions and communities established as priorities by HMI.

INTERMEDIARY RELENDING PROGRAM LOANS (IRP)

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

USDA Rural Development
413-253-4318
451 West St, Amherst, MA 01002
www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/busp/irp.htm

Makes loans to finance business facilities and community development projects not within the outer boundary of any city having a population of 25,000 or more. Loans are made through the Rural Business Cooperative Service. Eligible applicants may be public bodies or not-for-profit corporations and must have a record of successfully assisting rural businesses, including experience in making and servicing commercial loans.

JOHANNA FAVROT FUND

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

National Trust for Historic Preservation
617-523-0885
7 Faneuil Hall Market Place, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02109
www.nthp.org/main/frontline/departments/financial.htm

Provides grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$25,000 to non-profit organizations, public agencies, for-profit businesses, and individuals for projects that contribute to the preservation or recapture of an authentic sense of place. Funds may be used for professional services in areas of architecture, planning, archaeology, media relations; sponsoring preservation conferences and workshops; and implementing innovative preservation education programs.

JOHN W. MCCORMACK INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Resource Type: *TA*

University of Massachusetts at Boston
Urban Affairs 617-287-5550
100 Morrissey Blvd, Dorchester, MA 02125
www.umb.edu

Provides forums, conferences, lectures, etc. on a variety of topics, including urban affairs and economics.

Economic Development

LEADERSHIP TRAINING TAPES

Resource Type: *TA*

Natural Resources Conservation Service
413-253-4353
451 West St, Amherst, MA 01002-2995
www.ma.nrcs.usda.gov/

8 leadership development tapes are available for loan. Each tape is 2 hours and features national experts. Topics include: marketing, outdoing your competition, and sales.

LOCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

U.S. Department of Commerce
215-597-4603
Curtis Center, Independence Square West, Suite 140, South Philadelphia, PA 19106
www.doc.gov/eda/

Through the Economic Development Administration, awards grants to communities or CDCs for solving specific development problems. Examples include: rehabilitation of distressed commercial districts, technical or market feasibility studies, technical analysis of potential economic development projects, tourism development, minority enterprise, and skill training. Funds pay for consultants only.

MABEL LOUISE RILEY FOUNDATION

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Mabel Louise Riley Foundation
617-951-9100
c/o Stackpole & Warner LLP, 75 State St, Boston, MA 02109
www.agmconnect.org/riley5.html

Provides grant assistance in areas including community development in low income and minority neighborhoods, job development and training, housing, historic preservation, urban environment, and the arts. Funded projects include capital improvements, historic preservation, building acquisition, community planning, and organization development. Support for projects outside the City of Boston and vicinity is limited.

MANUFACTURING PRODUCTIVITY

Resource Type: *TA*

Massachusetts Manufacturing Extension Partnership
800-MEP-4MFG
10 Park Plaza, Ste 3720, Boston, MA 02116
www.massmep.org/

Small to mid-size manufacturing companies are eligible for assistance in a variety of areas, including: productivity, quality control, ISO 9000, business planning, market development, regulatory compliance, and training. Services are provided through regional centers; general contact listed below.

Economic Development

MARITIME HERITAGE GRANTS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

National Park Service
202-343-8170

National Maritime Initiative (2280), 1849 C St NW, Washington, DC 20240
www.cr.nps.gov/maritime/grants.htm

Awards of \$2,500 to 50,000 are available for maritime history and the preservation of maritime properties.

MASS BROWNFIELDS

Resource Type: *FUNDING/TA*

Various State Agencies
617-556-1138 or 617-973-8989
DEP: 1 Winter St, Boston, MA 02108
www.state.ma.us/dep/bwsc/brownfld.htm

MassDevelopment, the Governor's Office for Brownfields Revitalization, the Attorney General, the Department of Revenue, and the Department of Environmental Protection offer assistance on the rehabilitation of brownfields. Elements of the program include federal tax incentive, state tax credit, access to capital, redevelopment fund, and covenant not to sue. Phone numbers here are for DEP's Brownfields Coordinator and for the Governor's Office on Brownfields Revitalization.

MASSACHUSETTS COMMUNITY CAPITAL FUND (MCCF)

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)
617-727-7001 x 424
One Congress Street, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/dhcd/components/dcs/cdbg/mccf.htm

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Provides flexible debt financing of \$100,000-490,000 to private businesses for purchase of equipment, acquisition of real estate, construction or rehabilitation, working capital, and refinancing projects. Part of CDBG so must meet national objective.

MASSACHUSETTS CULTURAL FACILITIES

Resource Type: *FUNDING/TA*

Massachusetts Cultural Council
617-727-8447
120 Boylston Street, Second Floor, Boston, MA 02116-4600
www.massculturalcouncil.org/grants/for_organizations/mcfc.html

Provides technical assistance, planning grants, and loans to non-profit cultural organizations (generally with revenues under \$5 million annually) in MA to undertake facilities planning. Eligible projects include: consultation, training, marketing studies, loans for acquisition, renovation, equipment purchases, etc.

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MASSACHUSETTS DOWNTOWN INITIATIVE

Resource Type: *TA*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)
617-727-7001 x 426
One Congress St, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/dhcd/components/dcs/downtown/default.htm

Provides direct and indirect assistance on all topics of downtown revitalization, including organizational development, community involvement, economic development, streetscapes and design, public safety, transportation and parking, and housing.

MASSACHUSETTS PRESERVATION PROJECTS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Historical Commission
617-727-8470
220 Morrissey Boulevard, Boston, MA 02125
www.state.ma.us/sec/mhc/mhcform/formidx.htm

Provides funding for the acquisition, preservation, and rehabilitation of historic properties, landscapes and sites. Eligible properties must be listed in or eligible for listing in the State Register of Historic Places and be in municipal or private non-profit ownership. Predevelopment projects such as feasibility studies, plans and specifications, and historic structures reports are also eligible activities. This is a 50% matching grant program.

MEP WORKFORCE INITIATIVE

Resource Type: *TA*

NIST Manufacturing Extension Partnership
800-637-4634
CBWL, The Schrafft Center, 529 Main St, Boston, MA 02129
www.mep.nist.gov/index.html

Helps small to mid-size manufacturing companies improve competitiveness through training in human resources and technology. The 1-800 number will automatically connect you to your regional center.

MEZZANINE CAPITAL FUND

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Business Development Corporation
617-350-8877
50 Milk St, Boston, MA 02109
www.mass-business.com/site/content/mezzanine.asp

Provides financing for corporate expansions, mergers and acquisitions, recapitalizations, refinancings, ownership changes and other strategic growth initiatives via subordinated debt with warrants.

Economic Development

MINORITY & WOMENS CONTRACTOR BOND

Resource Type: *FUNDING/TA*

Community Development Finance Corporation
617-523-6262
100 City Hall Plaza, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02108
www.mcdcf.com/

Minority or women owned certified businesses are eligible for working capital loans, letters of credit, assistance in obtaining bonds, and management assistance.

MINORITY ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Economic Development (DED)
MOBD 617-973-8600
10 Park Plaza, Suite 3720, Boston, MA 02116

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Local economic development organizations are eligible for matching grants for the purpose of supporting minority business growth.

MUNICIPAL INCENTIVE GRANTS (MIGs)

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)
617-727-7001 x 404
One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/dhcd/

Assists local government officials in the planning, management, and operations of cities and towns, and the training of local officials. The program provides grants to pay for consultant assistance and, in some cases, hardware and software. MIGs can be used for goals & objectives/visioning studies, economic development strategies, and organizational studies, among others.

MUNICIPAL RECYCLING GRANT

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
617-292-5861
1 Winter Street, Boston, MA 02108
www.state.ma.us/dep/recycle/recycle.htm#towns

Funds are available to purchase recycling equipment, provide technical assistance to businesses and residents, and develop educational materials.

MUNICIPAL RECYCLING INITIATIVE

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
617-292-5984
1 Winter St, Boston, MA 02108
www.state.ma.us/dep/recycle/recycle.htm#towns

Awards a per ton payment for primary recyclables diverted from the municipal waste stream.

Economic Development

NATIONAL PRESERVATION LOAN FUND

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

National Trust for Historic Preservation
617-523-0885
7 Faneuil Hall Market Place, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02109
www.nthp.org/main/frontline/departments/financial.htm

Provides below market rate loans up to \$150,000 to assist non-profit organizations and public agencies to preserve properties listed in or eligible for the the National Register of Historic Places. Funds may be used for the creation or expansion of local preservation revolving loan funds, site acquisition, and rehabilitation work. Specific funding priorities are established yearly.

PEER TO PEER

Resource Type: *TA*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)
617-727-7001 x 404
One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/dhcd/

Matches communities with an experienced peer from another community, RPA, or other organization in order to provide short term assistance on a specific topic. Examples include getting started with a downtown organization, outlining an affordable housing strategy, and conducting a visioning session. DHCD provides a grant to the community to pay a peer an hourly wage and travel expenses. Grants are capped at \$850.

POLAROID FOUNDATION

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Polaroid Foundation
781-386-9400
784 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, MA 02139
www.digitalimage.polaroid.com/polinfo/foundation/index.html

Provides grant assistance to projects that help disadvantaged individuals gain measurable skills. Priority is given to projects in Boston, Cambridge, New Bedford, and Waltham.

PORT AND HARBOR PLANNING

Resource Type: *TA*

MA Coastal Zone Management
617-626-1200
251 Causeway St, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/czm/php2.htm

MCZM provides assistance to communities in developing harbor plans and encourages the creation and expansion of water-dependent facilities in developed port and harbor areas.

Economic Development

PREDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Development Finance Agency
West: 413-731-8848; Central: 978-772-6340; All Others: 617-451-2477
75 Federal St, Boston, MA 02110
www.state.ma.us/mdfa/

Real estate development projects in an economic target area (ETA) are eligible for technical assistance funding. Awards range from \$5,000 to \$25,000 (\$20,000 for non-profits) and require a match. Projects must be eligible under Economic Development Financing Program. Activities and products include: market and feasibility analysis, preliminary architectural or engineering plans, appraisals, development consultants, structural or mechanical analysis, traffic studies, historic consultants, legal organization or titles, topographic mapping, civil survey, marketing, pre-leasing materials, and environmental testing.

PRESERVATION OF RELIGIOUS BUILDINGS

Resource Type: *TA*

Partners for Sacred Places
215-567-3234
1700 Sansom St, 10th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103
www.sacredplaces.org/index.htm

Provides a clearinghouse of information and publications on restoring and maintaining religious buildings and other related topics.

PRESERVATION PLANNING

Resource Type: *TA*

Massachusetts Historical Commission
617-727-8470
220 Morrissey Boulevard, Boston, MA 02125
www.state.ma.us/sec/mhc/mhchpp/ppdhpp.htm

Provides technical assistance on a wide range of topics related to historic preservation. Areas of interest include: historic resource inventories, nominations to the National Register of Historic Places, development of preservation plans, local historic districts, and creation of design guidelines.

PRESERVATION SERVICES FUND

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

National Trust for Historic Preservation
617-523-0885
7 Faneuil Hall Market Place, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02109
www.nthp.org/main/frontline/departments/financial.htm

Provides matching grants ranging from \$500 to \$5000 to non-profit organizations, universities, and public agencies to initiate preservation projects. Funds may be used to support consultants with expertise in areas of architecture, law, planning, economic development, and graphic design; development of preservation related conferences, and curriculum development in preservation targeted at selected audiences.

Economic Development

READY RESOURCE FUND (RRF)

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)
617-727-7001 x 418
One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/dhcd/

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Provides funds for economic development, defined broadly. Program is part of the Community Development Block Grant program and must satisfy a national objective. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT LOANS/GUARANTEES

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Development Finance Agency
West: 413-731-8848; Central: 978-772-6340; All Others: 617-451-2477
75 Federal St, Boston, MA 02110
www.state.ma.us/mdfa/

Projects involving redevelopment of blighted or surplus property are eligible for permanent first position financing. Multi-tenant commercial, industrial, retail, and mixed-use projects qualify. Loans are up to \$3 million with a maximum term of 10 years; guarantees are up to \$500,000.

RECYCLING LOAN FUND

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Business Development Corporation
617-350-8877
50 Milk St, Boston, MA 02109
www.mass-business.com/site/content/recycling.asp

Recycling businesses of any size located in Massachusetts whose activities add economic value to non-hazardous materials are eligible for loans ranging from \$50,000 to \$300,000. Loans can be used for "reasonable business purposes."

RECYCLING-BASED COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Chelsea Center for Recycling & Economic Development
617-887-2300
180 Second Street, Chelsea, MA 02150
www.chelseacenter.org

Aims to help communities explore ways to expand the economic base by taking advantage of the hidden value in municipal solid waste. Funds such activities as updating the municipal economic development plan, identifying potential sources and uses of waste materials, starting up a small recycled products manufacturing business, and working with the community to determine recycled products manufacturers appropriate for the area.

RESOURCE USE IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Hitachi Foundation

202-457-0588

1509 22nd Street, NW, Washington, DC 20037-1073

www.hitachi.org

Provides funding for development in low-income areas, especially for job opportunities and training for the poor, neighborhood revitalization, and improving business investment.

RISK CAPITAL

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Capital Resource Company

617-536-3900

420 Boylston St, Boston, MA 02116

Provides unsecured loans to businesses that are unable to obtain commercial financing. Real estate developers, retailers, construction contractors, public utilities, and financial intermediaries are not eligible. Types of loans include long term debt, mezzanine capital, venture capital, and leverage buyouts.

RURAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GRANTS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

USDA Rural Development

413-253-4318

451 West Street, Amherst, MA 01002

www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/busp/rbeg.htm

To support the development of small and emerging businesses, provides funds for the acquisition and development of land; construction of buildings, plants, equipment, access streets, parking areas, and utility service extensions; refinancing; professional services; technical assistance and related training; and startup operating costs and working capital, among others.

RURAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY GRANTS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

USDA Rural Development

413-253-4318

451 West Street, Amherst, MA 01002

www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/busp/rbog.htm

Provides funds for technical assistance, training, and planning activities that improve economic conditions in rural areas. The legislation authorizes a maximum award of \$1.5 million.

SAVE AMERICA'S TREASURES

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

National Trust for Historic Preservation

202-588-6202

1785 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington DC 20036

saveamericastreasures.org/

Funds conservation or preservation work on nationally significant objects, including historic structures, such as buildings, sites, or districts. Requires a 1:1 match. Projects must have a clear public benefit, and structures must be threatened or have an urgent preservation need. "Nationally significant" is defined by the program. Funding is not guaranteed beyond FY2000.

SBA 504 TERM LOANS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Business Development Corporation

617-350-8877

50 Milk St, Boston, MA 02109

www.mass-business.com/site/content/sba.asp

Provides low-cost, second mortgage financing for smaller businesses for acquiring real estate, expanding facilities, or purchasing machinery and equipment. Source of funds is the Federal SBA 504 loan program.

SECTION 319 NONPOINT COMPETITIVE GRANTS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)

617-556-1127

1 Winter Street, Boston, MA 02108

www.state.ma.us/dep/brp/mf/files/01otrch.doc

Projects which include the control of pollution from nonpoint sources, including road runoff, are eligible for \$20,000 to \$200,000. Projects may include engineering practices or educational activities.

SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

Resource Type: *TA*

Massachusetts Small Business Development Center Network

413-545-6301

Umass, 205 Isenberg School of Management, Amherst, MA 01003-4935

msbdc.som.umass.edu/network.html

MOBD's Small Business Development Centers provide one-to-one counseling and workshops to prospective and existing small businesses. Counseling services include: business and financial plan development, domestic and international marketing analysis, cash flow management, and human resource issues. Specific training programs are offered for a fee. Assistance is also provided in areas of financing, entrepreneurial training, and securing state government contracts.

Economic Development

SURVEY AND PLANNING GRANTS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Historical Commission
617-727-8470
220 Morrissey Boulevard, Boston, MA 02125
www.state.ma.us/sec/mhc/mhchpp/grdhpp.htm

Provides matching grants for preservation planning projects. Eligible activities include: historic resource surveys, nominations to the National Register, and comprehensive historic preservation plans.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGE

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
888-372-7341
One Congress St, Boston, MA 02114
www.epa.gov/region01/eco/grants/sustaing.html

Aims to encourage communities to work with businesses and government to develop flexible, locally-oriented approaches that link environmental quality management with sustainable development and revitalization. An example for is working with local businesses to develop a comprehensive system for solid waste reduction/reuse/recycling in conjunction with rehabilitating buildings, facades, streetscapes, etc.

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF)

Resource Type: *TA*

Department of Economic Development (DED)
1-800-5-CAPITAL
Main office: 10 Park Plaza, Suite 3720, Boston, MA 02116
www.magnet.state.ma.us/mobd/finance_services.html

TIF authorizes communities to exempt all or part of the increased value of a land parcel based on the development of that parcel for up to 20 years. The tax exemption may take the form of abatements, betterments, and a negotiation for lower real estate taxes. Characteristics of a typical TIF project include site-specific disadvantages to development and a reasonable probability of generating benefits. TIFs can be utilized within Economic Opportunity Areas (EOAs) and within TIF zones.

TOURISM/MARKETING PROMOTION

Resource Type: *FUNDING/TA*

Regional Tourist Councils (RTCs)
617-973-8500
10 Park Plaza, Suite 4510, Boston, MA 02116

With funding from MOTT, the 13 RTCs provide assistance to public and non-profit organizations in marketing attractions in their region as a travel destination. Specific programs vary by RTC.

Economic Development

URBAN INITIATIVE FUND

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Community Development Finance Corporation
617-523-6262
100 City Hall Plaza, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02108
www.mcdcf.com/

Businesses which are 51% minority owned with sales less than \$500,000 are eligible for loans for working capital, equipment, leasehold improvements, and start-ups. Loans and grants are also made to non-profits. Businesses must be in an urban minority area. **No funding available in FY01.**

URBAN PLACES PROJECT

Resource Type: *TA*

University of Massachusetts at Amherst
413-545-6631
Urban Places Project, 109 Hills North, UMass, Amherst, MA 01033
www-unix.oit.umass.edu/~upp

Through the UMASS Department of Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning the Urban Places Project provides urban design and neighborhood planning services to low income, central neighborhoods in mid-sized cities.

URBAN STUDIES

Resource Type: *TA*

Tufts University
617-627-3165
97 Talbot Ave, Dept of Urban & Environmental Policy, Medford, MA 02155
www.tufts.edu

Provides interns and planning studies through the undergraduate programs in Urban Studies and Architectural Studies and through the graduate program in Urban and Environmental Policy.

VARIOUS

Resource Type: *TA*

State Office of Minority & Women Business Assistance
617-973-8692
10 Park Plaza, Suite 3740, Boston, MA 02116
www.state.ma.us/somwba/index.htm

Provides marketing, employment, and strategic development assistance to minority and women-owned businesses. Also certifies companies in this category.

VARIOUS SMALL BUSINESS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Small Business Administration
617-565-8415
10 Causeway St, Room 265, Boston, MA 02222-1093
www.sba.gov/regions/states/ma

Provide numerous types of assistance to small businesses including acquisition of real estate, management, expansion of facilities, and purchase of equipment.

Economic Development

VENTURE CAPITAL

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Business Development Corporation
617-350-8877
50 Milk St, Boston, MA 02109
www.mass-business.com/site/content/venture.asp

Through a joint venture with Zero Stage Capital, makes investments of typically \$1-5 million. Invests in seed/early stage and ongoing companies in the fields of information technology, health care, software, and communications.

VENTURE CAPITAL FUND

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Community Development Finance Corporation
617-523-6262
100 City Hall Plaza, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02108
www.mcdcf.com/

Provides \$100,000 - 300,000 in debt or equity financing to businesses with at least 15 employees in low-income communities with a Community Development Corp. Focused on job creation or retention.

VERIZON FOUNDATION

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Verizon
Go to the "In Your Community" section of the web site to find your regional contact.
foundation.verizon.com/index.html

Provides grant assistance in areas including arts and culture and neighborhoods and communities. Funded projects have included crime prevention, and increasing neighborhood access to the arts. Call the 800 number to find out who your regional contact is.

WHOLESALE & ALTERNATIVE MARKETS PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING/TA*

U.S. Department of Agriculture
202-720-8317
Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA, 1400 Independence Ave SW,
Washington, DC 20090
www.ams.usda.gov/tmd/markets/index.htm

Goal of the Wholesale and Alternative Markets Program is to promote regional economic development and improve market access for the small and medium sized farmer. Program activities include planning and design of facilities, including Farmers' Markets, in cooperation with government, farmers and segments of the U.S. food industry.

WPI PROJECTS PROGRAM

Resource Type: TA

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

508-831-5457

Project & Registration Office, 100 Institute Rd, Worcester, MA 01609

www.wpi.edu/Academics/Projects/intro.html

Provides professional quality studies for private, governmental, and non-profit organizations in a variety of WPI disciplines including environmental engineering and planning.

Housing

ASSOCIATED GRANT MAKERS

Resource Type: TA

Associated Grant Makers
617-426-2606
294 Washington Street, Suite 840, Boston, MA 02108
www.agmconnect.org

On a membership basis, provides TA on writing grant applications, effective governance, and finding grant sources to community non-profits. Non-members can use the library of grants located in downtown Boston.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS PROGRAM

Resource Type: TA

National Trust for Historic Preservation
617-523-0885
7 Faneuil Hall Market Place, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02109
www.nthp.org/main/frontline/departments/financial.htm

The program is a neighborhood-based initiative to demonstrate the effectiveness of "preservation-based community development." Demonstration projects include: the use of flexible preservation standards for affordable housing, creation of real estate financing mechanisms for the reuse of historic buildings that benefit low-income neighborhoods, and the formation of new community-based development corporations in historically significant minority neighborhoods.

CONTRACTOR WORKING CAPITAL LOAN FUND (CWCL)

Resource Type: FUNDING

Community Development Finance Corporation
617-523-6262
100 City Hall Plaza, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02108
www.mcdcf.com/

Provides loans and TA to small minorities and women-owned firms contracting with MA Housing Finance Agency's housing developments.

FARM LABOR HOUSING

Resource Type: FUNDING

USDA Rural Development
413-253-4333
451 West Street, Amherst, MA 01002
www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/ProgramBriefs/brief_mfh_flh.htm

Provides loans and grants to develop housing for farm laborers, including those engaged in aquaculture and on-farm processing. Eligible activities include acquisition of a site; construction of housing, day care facilities, or community rooms; payment of fees to purchase durable household furnishings; and payment of construction loan interest. Loans are for 33 years at 1% interest with exceptions; grants may cover up to 90% of development costs.

Housing

GET THE LEAD OUT

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency (MHFA)

617-854-1000

One Beacon St, Boston, MA 02108

www.mhfa.com/sf/sf_products.htm# Get the Lead Out

Provides low-cost financing to owners of 1-4 family properties to remove lead paint from their homes and reduce the risk of lead poisoning in children. 50% of available funds are targeted to "high risk" communities designated by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Application is made through local housing rehabilitation programs.

HOME

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)

617-727-7824 x 314

One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Funds projects that increase rental housing, provide first time homeownership assistance, and provide rehabilitation assistance to low and moderate income persons.

HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)

617-727-7824 x 552

One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dhcd/components/private/hoplip.htm

State loan program that encourages the development of mixed-income homeownership projects. No new developments are being built, however, existing units are deed restricted for resale to qualified buyers. Listing of available units is on DHCD's web site.

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT PROGRAM (HDSP)

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)

617-727-7001 x 431

One Congress Street, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dhcd/components/dcs/cdbg/hdsp.htm

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Provides grants of up to \$390,000 for the creation, preservation, or improvement of small-scale public and private affordable housing projects. Funds can be used for acquisition, rehabilitation, site work, and related infrastructure. 51% of the units must be affordable to and occupied by low and moderate income households.

HOUSING INNOVATIONS FUND (HIF)

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)

617-727-7824 x 612

One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Finances innovative housing, such as SRO, limited equity cooperatives, and special needs housing for the terminally ill. Provides long term investment through a deferred payment capital loan. At least 50% of residents must be low-income.

Housing

HOUSING PRESERVATION GRANTS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

USDA Rural Development

413-253-4333

451 West Street, Amherst, MA 01002

www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/ProgramBriefs/brief_mfh_hpg.htm

Funds the repair or rehabilitation of individual housing, rental properties, or co-ops owned and/or occupied by very low- and low-income rural persons. Limited to communities with population of 20,000 or less.

HOUSING STABILIZATION FUND (HSF)

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)

617-727-7824 x 606

One Congress Street, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dhcd/components/private/default.htm

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Provides funds for the acquisition, preservation, and rehabilitation of affordable housing. Funds are available through 3 initiatives, which promote neighborhood restoration, rehabilitation of distressed properties, and enhance the soft second loan program.

HOW TO OBTAIN HOUSING ASSISTANCE IN MASSACHUSETTS

Resource Type: *TA*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)

617-727-7765

One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dhcd/publications/assist/default.htm

This publication for citizens is a reference guide to public housing, rental, homeowner, and homeless assistance resources.

HYAMS FOUNDATION

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Hyams Foundation

617-426-5600

175 Federal St, Boston, MA 02110

www.agmconnect.org/hyams.html

Provides grant assistance for low income neighborhoods including housing rehabilitation, economic development, crime prevention, and maintenance of urban open space. Priority is given to projects in Boston, Cambridge, Chelsea, Lynn, and Somerville.

INNER CITY VENTURES FUND

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

National Trust for Historic Preservation

671-523-0885

7 Faneuil Hall Market Place, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02109

www.nthp.org/main/frontline/departments/financial.htm

Provides low-interest loans on flexible terms for projects that reuse historic buildings for affordable housing, community facilities, retail, and commercial space in low and mixed-income neighborhoods. Projects must involve properties that are listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places or are designated at the local or state level.

Housing

LOCAL INITIATIVE PROGRAM (LIP)

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)

617-727-7824 x 552

One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dhcd/components/private/hoplip.htm

Encourages the creation of affordable housing by providing technical assistance to communities and developers who are working together to create affordable homeownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income households. To be eligible for technical assistance, a developer must agree to set aside at least 25% of the units as affordable units.

LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT (LIHTC)

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)

617-727-7824 x 607

One Congress Street, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dhcd/components/private/default.htm

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Federal tax credit administered by the state that allows developers to raise capital for the construction or acquisition and substantial rehabilitation of housing for low-income persons.

MASSACHUSETTS HIGH RISK CONSORTIUM

Resource Type: *FUNDING/TA*

Various

City of Lawrence, 978-794-5891

Community Development Dept., 225 Essex Street, Lawrence, MA 01840

Agencies participating in the Consortium provide grants, loans, and guidance for owners seeking to delead residential units occupied by low and moderate income families. Grants range from \$2,500 - 5,000, and staff provide substantial assistance in obtaining matching funds from other local and state programs. Technical assistance includes: inspection (testing), bidding and contracting with deleaders, hazardous waste disposal, construction oversight, and complying with state regulations. Assistance is limited to Chelsea, New Bedford, Fall River, Lawrence, and Brockton.

MASSACHUSETTS LEAD ABATEMENT PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)

617-727-7824 x 480

One Congress Street, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Provides up to \$7500 per unit for lead abatement activities, including inspection, deleading, and relocation. Must be used in connection with DHCD HOME or HSF programs.

Housing

MUNICIPAL INCENTIVE GRANTS (MIGS)

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)

617-727-7001 x 404

One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dhcd/

Assists local government officials in the planning, management, and operations of cities and towns, and the training of local officials. The program provides grants to pay for assistance and, in some cases, hardware and software. MIGs can be used for goals & objectives/visioning studies, economic development strategies, and organizational studies, among others.

MUTUAL SELF-HELP HOUSING

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

USDA Rural Development

413-253-4333

451 West Street, Amherst, MA 01002

www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/Nonprofit/np_splash.htm#Rural_Housing_Site

Provides grants for the supervision of work performed by enrollees in the program. Enrollees are very-low and low-income families who build their homes themselves in groups of 10 or 12. Members work on all homes and move in only when all are completed. TA grants are also available to non-profit entities which assist the enrollees, which can be used for operational and administrative costs.

NEIGHBORWORKS

Resource Type: *FUNDING/TA*

Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation

617-450-0410

607 Boylston St, 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02116-4802

www.nw.org

NeighborWorks is a membership network of community nonprofits. Services include The NeighborWorks Campaign for Home Ownership 2002, a joint effort to offer home ownership to families with modest income; technical assistance and collaboration to strengthen members' internal operations; preservation of affordable housing and expansion of credit; and training and information. Membership is open to community-based nonprofits that focus on neighborhood revitalization.

PEER TO PEER

Resource Type: *TA*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)

617-727-7001 x 404

One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dhcd/

Matches communities with an experienced peer from another community, RPA, or other organization in order to provide short term assistance on a specific topic, such as outlining an affordable housing strategy. DHCD provides a grant to the community to pay a peer an hourly wage and travel expenses. Grants are capped at \$850.

Housing

PERMANENT RENTAL FINANCING PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

MA Housing Investment Corporation
617-850-1028
70 Federal St, Boston, MA 02110

This program is a package of construction and permanent financing for the development of affordable multi-family housing. Priority is given to smaller properties in urban neighborhoods, and scattered site rehabilitation projects in a particular geographic area as part of a comprehensive neighborhood reinvestment strategy.

RURAL HOUSING SITE LOANS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

USDA Rural Development
413-253-4333
451 West Street, Amherst, MA 01002
www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/ProgramBriefs/brief_rhsite.htm

Provides two types of two-year loans for the purchase and development of housing for low- and moderate-income families. One type is for the acquisition and development of housing under the self-help method; the other is for site development for any eligible family.

RURAL RENTAL HOUSING -- DIRECT LOANS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

USDA Rural Development
413-253-4333
451 West Street, Amherst, MA 01002
www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/ProgramBriefs/brief_mfh_rrh.htm

Provides direct, competitive mortgage loans for multifamily rental housing for very low-, low-, and moderate-income families; the elderly; and persons with disabilities. Funds may also be used to buy and improve land and to provide necessary facilities such as water and waste disposal systems. Public agencies are eligible.

RURAL RENTAL HOUSING GUARANTEED

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

USDA Rural Development
413-253-4333
451 West Street, Amherst, MA 01002
www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/ProgramBriefs/brief_mfh_grrh.htm

Provides loan guarantees for construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation of rural multi-family housing. Occupants must be very- low-, low- or moderate-income households, elderly, handicapped, or disabled persons with income not in excess of 115% of area median. Eligible communities have under 10,000 in population or under 20,000 if there is a serious lack of mortgage credit.

SOFT SECOND LOAN

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD)
617-727-7824 x 552
One Congress St, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02114

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** The program increases affordable homeownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income first time home buyers by combining a conventional 30-year fixed rate first mortgage with a subsidized second mortgage. The home buyer has a down payment of only 5% and avoids private mortgage insurance. Eligible buyers have income below 80% of median.

Housing

URBAN PLACES PROJECT

Resource Type: TA

University of Massachusetts at Amherst

413-545-6631

Urban Places Project, 109 Hills North, UMass, Amherst, MA 01033

www-unix.oit.umass.edu/~upp

Through the UMASS Department of Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning the Urban Places Project provides urban design and neighborhood planning services to low income, central neighborhoods in mid-sized cities.

VARIOUS

Resource Type: FUNDING/TA

The Enterprise Foundation

410-964-1230

10227 Wincoppin Circle, Suite 500, Columbia, MD 21044

www.enterprisefoundation.org/default.asp

Assists community-based organizations and local governments in improving poor neighborhoods by providing low-interest loans, grants, and equity to finance affordable housing. Provides training to development professionals on a variety of topics. Also offers an extensive list of publications.

VARIOUS PUBLICATIONS

Resource Type: TA

Public Technology, Inc.

800-852-4934

1301 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Suite 800, Washington DC 20004

pti.nw.dc.us/publications/pubs.pdf

Titles include "Habitat for Humanity: Developing an Ecological Model Community," "Demand Side Management in Public Housing," and "Green Habitat Learning Project: A Green Builder Model Home Project." Most publications are under \$20.

AGRICULTURE PRESERVATION RESTRICTION

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Food & Agriculture (DFA)
508-792-7712
142 Old Common Rd, Lancaster, MA 01523
www.massdfa.org

Pays farmers with 5 or more acres the difference between the fair market value and the agricultural value of their farmland in exchange for a permanent deed restriction.

ASSOCIATED GRANT MAKERS

Resource Type: *TA*

Associated Grant Makers
617-426-2606
294 Washington Street, Suite 840, Boston, MA 02108
www.agmconnect.org

On a membership basis, provides TA on writing grant applications, effective governance, and finding grant sources to community non-profits. Non-members can use the library of grants located in downtown Boston.

COASTAL ACCESS GRANTS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Management (DEM)
617-973-8700
251 Causeway St, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/dem/programs/coastal/coastal.htm

Funds projects to improve and enhance the public's recreational access to the coast. Eligible activities include developing an access or management plan, developing a coastal trail, enhancing existing access points, and developing educational initiatives.

DEPARTMENT OF URBAN STUDIES AND

Resource Type: *TA*

Massachusetts Institute of Technology
617-253-2024
77 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge, MA 02139
dusp.mit.edu/DUSP/main/html/main.lasso

MIT is a source for interns and special field studies in design and development, economic development, and community development.

DEPT. OF LANDSCAPE ARCH. REGIONAL

Resource Type: *TA*

University of Massachusetts at Amherst
413-545-2255
109 Hills North, Amherst, MA 01003
www.umass.edu/larp/

An outreach program that provides assistance to communities, particularly through graduate studios in areas of landscape architecture, planning, urban design, and economic development. Participating programs include: Landscape Architecture, Regional Planning, the Center for Economic Development, the Center for Rural Massachusetts, and the Urban Places Project.

GENERAL GRANTS PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Environmental Trust

617-727-0249

33 Union St, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02108

www.agmconnect.org/maenvtr1.html

Offers funding for public education, advocacy, research, and community action to restore or protect water-related resources. Awards range from \$5,000 to \$20,000; schedule varies.

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF DESIGN

Resource Type: *TA*

Harvard University

Urban Planning & Design 617-495-9571

48 Quincy St, Room 312, Cambridge, MA 02138

www.gsd.harvard.edu/

Offers graduate design studios in urban planning and design.

GREENWAYS AND TRAILS DEMONSTRATION GRANTS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Management (DEM)

413-586-8706 x18

136 Damon Rd, Northampton, MA 01060

www.state.ma.us/dem/programs/greenway/grants.htm

Provides small (maximum \$3,000) grants for greenways and trail planning, mapping, research and ecological assessments, trail management and construction. Special focus areas each year have included river greenways, education and outreach, and historic corridors.

HERITAGE TREE CARE GRANTS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Management (DEM)

781-741-5909

251 Causeway St, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dem/grants.htm

Reimburses costs associated with care (fertilization, pruning, fencing, preservation, etc.) of large or historic trees on public land (an exception for private property has been made if the property is an identified historic site or is accessible to the public). Maximum award is \$5,000 and must be matched.

HISTORIC LANDSCAPE PRESERVATION GRANT

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Management (DEM)

617-973-8700

251 Causeway St, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dem/programs/histland/overview.htm

Supports the preservation and restoration of historic landscapes listed or, in certain instances, eligible for listing on the State or National Register of Historic Places.

Open Space

JESSIE B. COX CHARITABLE TRUST

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Jessie B. Cox Charitable Trust
c/o Hemenway and Barnes 617-557-9775
60 State St, Boston, MA 02109
www.agmconnect.org/cox.html

Provides grant assistance for projects including areas of philanthropic development and the environment. Funded projects have included park and open space initiatives for urban areas, and the development and expansion of community based foundations.

JOHANNA FAVROT FUND

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

National Trust for Historic Preservation
617-523-0885
7 Faneuil Hall Market Place, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02109
www.nthp.org/main/frontline/departments/financial.htm

Provides grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$25,000 to non-profit organizations, public agencies, for-profit businesses, and individuals for projects that contribute to the preservation or recapture of an authentic sense of place. Funds may be used for professional services in areas of architecture, planning, archaeology, media relations; sponsoring preservation conferences and workshops; and implementing innovative preservation education programs.

LAKE AND POND GRANT PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Management (DEM)
617-973-8700
251 Causeway St, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/dem/program/lakepond/lakapp.htm

Funds the protection, preservation, enhancement, and public access of lakes and ponds.

MASS RELEAF

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Management (DEM)
781-741-5909
251 Causeway St, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/dem/programs/m-releaf/grant.htm

Funds the purchase of trees for planting on public land. Labor must be covered by the community or volunteers. Maximum award is \$5,000 and must be matched.

MASSACHUSETTS PRESERVATION PROJECTS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Massachusetts Historical Commission
617-727-8470
220 Morrissey Boulevard, Boston, MA 02125
www.state.ma.us/sec/mhc/mhcform/formidx.htm

Provides funding for the acquisition, preservation, and rehabilitation of historic properties, landscapes and sites. Eligible properties must be listed in or eligible for listing in the State Register of Historic Places and be in municipal or private non-profit ownership. Predevelopment projects such as feasibility studies, plans and specifications, and historic structures reports are also eligible activities. This is a 50% matching grant program.

MASTER OF ARTS PROGRAM

Resource Type: *TA*

Conway School of Landscape Design

413-369-4044

PO Box 179, Conway, MA 01341

www.csld.edu

Provides professional quality studies for governmental and non-profit organizations in areas of landscape planning and design.

NATIONAL RECREATIONAL TRAILS ACT

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Management (DEM)

617-973-8740

251 Causeway St, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dem/grants.htm

Recreational trails (publicly accessible) are eligible for \$2,000 - \$20,000 for construction, maintenance, and improvement.

SECTION 604b WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLANNING

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)

617-556-1152

1 Winter Street, Boston, MA 02108

www.state.ma.us/dep/brp/mf/files/grantfs.htm

Funds projects related to water quality assessment and management planning, such as assessment of local water quality protection measures, assessment of land use activities, water supply/water quality source protection planning, and identification and planning for potential wetlands restoration projects.

SELF-HELP PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Division of Conservation Services, EOE

617-727-1552 x 1015

251 Causeway St, Suite 400, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dcs/dcs.htm

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Provides reimbursement for the purchase of conservation or passive recreation land or the interests therein. Reimbursement ranges from 52 to 70% of costs, based on community's equalized valuation per capita decile rank.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGE

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

888-372-7341

One Congress St, Boston, MA 02114

www.epa.gov/region01/eco/grants/sustaing.html

Aims to encourage communities to work with businesses and government to develop flexible, locally-oriented approaches that link environmental quality management with sustainable development and revitalization. An example for is working with local businesses to develop a comprehensive system for solid waste reduction/reuse/recycling in conjunction with rehabilitating buildings, facades, streetscapes, etc.

URBAN FOREST PLANNING AND EDUCATION GRANTS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Management (DEM)
781-741-5909

251 Causeway St, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dem/grants.htm

Funds projects such as tree inventories, hands-on training, workshops (can cover a variety of topics including planting and maintenance, species selection, site selection, etc.), consultants, and intern stipends. If the planning is coordinated by a committee, this program will fund administrative and educational costs. Maximum award is \$10,000 (or \$20,000 over 2 years) and must be matched.

URBAN RIVERS SMALL GRANTS

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Dept. of Fisheries, Wildlife & Env. Law Enfor. (DFWELE)
617-626-1541

251 Causeway St, Suite 400, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dfwele/River/Rivsmallgrant.htm

Provides a maximum \$5,000 grant for projects which revitalize urban river corridors.

Activities must enhance public access, or restore or enhance aesthetic or ecological values of urban rivers.

URBAN SELF-HELP PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Division of Conservation Services, EOEA
617-727-1552 x 1014

251 Causeway St, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114

www.state.ma.us/dcs/dcs.htm

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Reimburses the costs of purchasing park land and/or constructing or rehabilitating active recreation facilities. Eligibility for \$500,000 award is limited to cities or towns with population of at least 35,000. Small towns are eligible for up to \$50,000; regional projects for small towns can be awarded \$500,000.

URBAN STUDIES

Resource Type: *TA*

Tufts University

617-627-3165

97 Talbot Ave, Dept of Urban & Environmental Policy, Medford, MA 02155

www.tufts.edu

Provides interns and planning studies through the undergraduate programs in Urban Studies and Architectural Studies and through the graduate program in Urban and Environmental Policy.

Open Space

WATERSHED STEWARDSHIP

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (EOEA)

617-626-1159

251 Causeway St, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114

Focuses on restoration of sites, research, environmental improvements, and recreational improvements. Projects should involve or create partnerships between government and many other appropriate groups.

WPI PROJECTS PROGRAM

Resource Type: *TA*

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

508-831-5457

Project & Registration Office, 100 Institute Rd, Worcester, MA 01609

www.wpi.edu/Academics/Projects/intro.html

Provides professional quality studies for private, governmental, and non-profit organizations in a variety of WPI disciplines including environmental engineering and planning.

GREENWAYS AND TRAILS DEMONSTRATION GRANTS

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Department of Environmental Management (DEM)
413-586-8706 x18
136 Damon Rd, Northampton, MA 01060
www.state.ma.us/dem/programs/greenway/grants.htm

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MA PEDESTRIAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Resource Type: *TA*

Massachusetts Highway Department
c/o Wallace, Floyd, Associates Inc. 617-350-7400
273 Summer Street, Boston, MA 02210
www.wallacefloyd.com/pedplan/index.htm

Report chronicling why people walk, the importance of walking in communities, and how to plan for pedestrians. Also provides a list of funding resources.

MOBILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Executive Office of Transp. and Construction (EOTC)
617-973-7062
10 Park Plaza, Suite 3170, Boston, MA 02116

The program assists with providing transportation for the elderly and persons with disabilities where public transportation is unavailable or insufficient. Grants pay for up to 80% of base costs of equipment such as buses and hardware.

NATIONAL RECREATIONAL TRAILS ACT

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Department of Environmental Management (DEM)
617-973-8740
251 Causeway St, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114
www.state.ma.us/dem/grants.htm

Recreational trails (publicly accessible) are eligible for \$2,000 - \$20,000 for construction, maintenance, and improvement.

OFF-STREET PARKING

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Executive Office of Administration & Finance
617-727-2040 x 651
Room 373, State House, Boston MA 02133

Provides grants for up to 75% of costs for off-street parking facilities. Eligibility is limited to commercial area revitalization districts (CARDs) or areas in which the facility would increase use of public transportation and car pooling, as judged by EOTC.

PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLE VARIOUS

Resource Type: TA

Federal Highway Administration
National Bicycle and Pedestrian Clearinghouse 800-760-NBPC
1506 21st St NW, Suite 210, Washington, DC 20036
www.ota.fhwa.dot.gov/walk/resource/psrdm129.htm

Offers publications on a variety of topics, including: design, safety, funding, education, implementation, and planning.

PEDESTRIAN VARIOUS

Resource Type: TA

Walkable Communities, Inc.
904-454-3004
320 S. Main Street, High Springs, FL 32643
www.walkable.org

Offers training workshops, videos, and other resources on planning for pedestrians, traffic calming, pedestrian safety, and other issues.

PUBLIC BUILDING ACCESSIBILITY

Resource Type: TA

Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (AAB)
617-727-0660
One Ashburton Place, Room 1310, Boston, MA 02108
www.state.ma.us/aab

The Architectural Access Board (AAB) is a regulatory agency within the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety. It is responsible for developing and enforcing regulations designed to make public buildings accessible to, functional for, and safe for use by persons with disabilities. The AAB website offers information on applicable accessibility regulations in MA and the regulatory role of the AAB in public projects.

PUBLIC WORKS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Resource Type: FUNDING

Executive Office of Transp. and Construction (EOTC)
617-973-8257
10 Park Plaza, Suite 3170, Boston, MA 02116

****SUBJECT TO HOUSING CERTIFICATION UNDER EO 418**** Funds the design, construction, reconstruction of existing and/or newly located public access roads, streets, bridges, curbing, sidewalks, lighting systems, traffic control and service facilities, drainage systems and culverts associated with municipal economic development opportunities.

PUBLICATIONS ON INTERMODAL TRANSPORTATION

Resource Type: TA

Federal Transit Administration
202-366-5781

Office of Intermodalism (S-3), 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590
www.bts.gov/ntl/DOCS/453.html

Titles include Sourcebook on Transit-Related Environmental Regulations, Planning & Environmental Training Catalogue, Characteristics of Urban Transportation Systems, and Intermodal Technical Assistance for Transportation Planners and Policymakers. Many other reports available also.

RAILROAD STATION REVITALIZATION

Resource Type: FUNDING/TA

The Great American Station Foundation
505-426-8055

615 E. Lincoln Ave, Las Vegas, NM 87701
www.stationfoundation.org/

Promotes community economic development by preserving railroad stations and transforming them into improved centers of transportation and commerce. Provides technical assistance in areas of planning, preservation, design, financing, retail, transportation, etc. Also provides grants and loans for projects that will enhance transportation and stimulate community economic development. Only active rail stations are eligible for assistance.

RURAL HOUSING COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Resource Type: FUNDING

USDA Rural Development
413-253-4333

451 West Street, Amherst, MA 01002
www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/cf/cp.htm

This program has several elements, including direct loans and grants. Transportation is one of many eligible topics. Emphasis is given to projects in Empowerment Zones, Enterprise and Champion Communities, and Native American communities.

TRAFFIC CALMING PUBLICATIONS

Resource Type: TA

Public Technology, Inc.
800-852-4934

1301 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Suite 800, Washington DC 20004
pti.nw.dc.us/task_forces/transportation/docs/trafcalm/

"Slow Down, You're Going Too Fast: The Community Guide To Traffic Calming" is a report covering the basics of traffic calming and discussing examples from around the country. PTI is the non-profit technology arm of the National League of Cities, the National Association of Counties, and the International City/County Management Association.

TRANS. & COMMUNITY & SYSTEM PRESERVATION (TCSP)

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

Federal Highway Administration
202-366-0106
400 Seventh St SW, Washington DC 20590
tcsp-fhwa.volpe.dot.gov/fedreg01/summary.html

Provides discretionary grants to plan and implement transportation strategies which improve efficiency of the transportation system; reduce environmental impacts of transportation; reduce the need for costly future public infrastructure investments; ensure efficient access to jobs, services and centers of trade; and examine development patterns and identify strategies to encourage private sector development patterns which achieve these goals.

TRANS. INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE & INNOVATION ACT

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

U.S. Department of Transportation
202-366-9649
Office of Budget & Program Performance, 400 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590
tifa.fhwa.dot.gov/tifa/

Provides 3 types of credit -- secured loans, loan guarantees, and standby lines of credit -- for surface transportation projects costing at least \$100 million. Eligible projects include highways and bridges, intelligent transportation systems, intermodal connectors, transit vehicles and facilities, intercity buses and facilities, freight transfer facilities, and passenger rail vehicles and facilities.

TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

Resource Type: *FUNDING*

MassHighway through Regional Planning Agencies
Contact your Regional Planning Agency
MassHighway: 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116; 617-973-8052

As part of The Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), this program provides funds on a reimbursement basis for the enhancement of surface transportation systems. Eligible activities include the preservation of abandoned railway corridors and safety and educational programs for bicycles and pedestrians; historic preservation, including acquisition, scenic or historic highway programs, and rehabilitation; landscaping and other scenic beautification; control and removal of outdoor advertising; and establishment of a transportation museum.

VARIOUS PUBLICATIONS

Resource Type: *TA*

Public Technology, Inc.
800-852-4934
1301 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Suite 800, Washington DC 20004
pti.nw.dc.us/publications/pubs.pdf

Topics address air quality, alternative fuels, improved efficiency in fleet vehicles, telecommuting and commuter efficiency, and "intelligent transportation systems" for local governments.